

Docket No.: 043888-0503

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 53080
	:	
Hiroshi YASUDA, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 1154
	:	
Application No.: 10/588,849	:	Group Art Unit: 1745
	:	
Filed: August 09, 2006	:	Examiner: MAPLES, JOHN S
	:	
For: LEAD BATTERY AND LEAD BATTERY STORAGE METHOD	:	

**STATUS INQUIRY**

Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Patent Application was filed in the referenced application on August 9, 2006. Since more than two years have elapsed since that date, and no response to said Patent Application has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application.

Respectfully submitted,

McDERMOTT WILL & EMERY LLP

Michael E. Fogarty  
Registration No. 36,139

**Please recognize our Customer No. 53080  
as our correspondence address.**

600 13<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20005-3096  
Phone: 202.756.8000 MEF:MaM  
Facsimile: 202.756.8087  
**Date: July 10, 2009**